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Delaware

Weekly Crop and Weather Report



July 2, 2007

SHORT SOIL MOISTURE

Last week's thunderstorms were welcomed by farmers across the state of Delaware, however soil moisture is still low. **Corn** growth and silking is only 2 percent behind the 5-year average. Despite crop woes, **hay** harvest around the state is ahead of schedule in comparison to last year's numbers. There were **5.8 days** suitable for field work.

Small grains were reported in mostly good condition. **Barley** harvest increased to 98 percent this week, a 5 percent increase from last week. **Wheat** harvest increased to 53 percent, a 31 percent increase from last week. **Barley** was rated 5 percent poor, 30 percent fair, 62 percent good, and 3 percent excellent. **Winter wheat** was rated 1 percent very poor, 6 percent poor, 25 percent fair, 63 percent good, and 5 percent excellent.

Pasture was rated 2 percent very poor, 13 percent poor, 46 percent fair, 37 percent good, and 2 percent excellent while **hay** supplies were rated 20 percent short, 72 percent adequate and 8 percent surplus.

DELAWARE'S CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 1, 2007

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	Average 2002-2006
<i>Percent</i>				
Planting Progress				
Cucumbers	77	73	60	63
Lima Beans	80	67	57	58
Snap Beans	92	89	92	94
Soybeans: Planted	89	79	82	80
Emerged	69	62	70	73
Corn: Silked	14	0	14	16
Sweet Corn	94	92	82	85
Tomatoes	99	98	91	89
Vegetables Harvested				
Green Peas	93	87	80	82
Snap Beans	13	1	12	11
Sweet Corn	7	0	4	3
Hay				
Alfalfa Hay 2nd cutting	87	50	60	55
Other Hay 2nd cutting	56	23	31	42
Small Grain Development				
Barley Harvested	98	93	84	85
Winter Wheat Harvested	53	22	36	43

SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 1, 2007

Condition by Percent	Topsoil Moisture			Subsoil Moisture		
	This Week	Last Week	Average 2002-2006	This Week	Last Week	Average 2002-2006
Very Short	21	20	-	22	13	-
Short	31	36	-	25	43	-
Adequate	48	44	-	53	44	-
Surplus	-	-	-	-	-	-

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